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**PATENT**  
**Atty. D ket No. RAL9-00-0018**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re application of: Brian M. Bass, et al**

**Serial No.:** 09/548,913

**Filed:** 04/13/2000

**For:** **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR NETWORK PROCESSOR  
SCHEDULING OUTPUTS USING  
DISCONNECT/RECONNECT FLOW QUEUES**

**Group Art Unit:** 2127      **Examiner:** Shah, Niles R.

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

**Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in the above-identified application. Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time. The fee of \$110.00 is charged to IBM Corp. Deposit Account No. 09-1990. The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of any additional fees or to credit any overpayment to the designated Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

**Date: May 21, 2004**

Respectfully submitted,

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